## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1 (currently amended): A liquid crystal display device comprising:

a first substrate;

a second substrate facing the first substrate, a space for housing liquid crystal molecules being formed between the first substrate and the second substrate;

a plurality of liquid crystal molecules formed in the space in a predetermined arrangement;

a first electrode with a first end, formed on the first substrate; and

a second electrode with a second end, formed on the first substrate, a discharge gap being <u>axially</u> formed between the first end and the second end;

wherein when an external voltage is applied between the first and the second electrodes, an <u>axially symmetric</u> electrical field is generated to change the arrangement of the liquid crystal molecules.

Claim 2 (original): The liquid crystal display device of claim 1, wherein the predetermined arrangement of the liquid crystal molecules is in a vertical alignment, each liquid crystal molecule has a longitudinal axe, and the longitudinal axe is substantially perpendicular to the first substrate.



Claim 3 (original): The liquid crystal display device of claim 1, wherein the predetermined arrangement of the liquid crystal molecules is in a vertical alignment, each liquid crystal molecule has a longitudinal axe, the longitudinal axe is substantially perpendicular to the second substrate.

Claim 4 (original): The liquid crystal display device of claim 1, wherein the predetermined arrangement of the liquid crystal molecules is in a horizontal alignment, each liquid crystal molecule has a longitudinal axe, and the longitudinal axe is substantially parallel to the first substrate and perpendicular to a line formed by the first end and the second end.

Claim 5 (original): The liquid crystal display device of claim 1, wherein the predetermined arrangement of the liquid crystal molecules is in a horizontal alignment, each liquid crystal molecules has a longitudinal axe, and the longitudinal axe is substantially parallel to the second substrate and perpendicular to a line formed between the first end and the second end.

Claim 6 (original): The liquid crystal display device of claim 1, wherein a line is formed between the first end and the second end, and the first electrode is symmetrical to the second electrode by the line.

Claim 7 (original): The liquid crystal display device of claim 1, wherein the display cell comprises a plurality of electrode pairs with an end-to-end arrangement, and the electrode pairs are parallel to each other.

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